



Julia Butler Hansen Refuge for the Columbian White-tailed Deer

2014-2015 WATERFOWL HUNTING REGULATIONS



The Julia Butler Hansen Refuge for the Columbian White-tailed Deer (JBH Refuge) contains over 6,000 acres of pastures, forested tidal swamps, brushy woodlots, marshes and sloughs along the Columbia River in both Washington and Oregon State. It was established in 1971 specifically to protect and manage the endangered Columbian white-tailed deer.

Hunting of geese, ducks, coots, and snipe is permitted in specific units of the Refuge in accordance with federal and state hunting regulations. Areas open to hunting include portions of the shorelines, tidelands and sloughs of Price and Hunting Islands in Washington State and Wallace and Crims Islands in Oregon State. All other Refuge units including the Mainland and Tenasillahe Island Units are closed to waterfowl hunting.

HUNTING & PRICE ISLANDS

The Refuge owned portion of the Hunting and Price Islands are open to waterfowl hunting, in accordance with Federal and Washington State Regulations. Refuge-owned shorelines, tidelands and interior sloughs are open to hunting, except otherwise noted (please see map). The eastern tip of Hunting Island (approximately 150 acres) is held in private ownership and the southern half of Price Island (approximately 160 acres) is owned by Wahkiakum County. Please check Refuge map for approximate boundaries. Access to Hunting and Price Islands is by boat only.

WALLACE & CRIMS ISLANDS

The Refuge owned portion of the Wallace and Crims Islands are open to waterfowl hunting, in accordance with Federal and Oregon State Regulations. All refuge-owned shorelines, tidelands and interior sloughs are open to hunting. Please note that several parts of Crims Island are in private ownership including the western tip of the island (approximately 90 acres) and a 40 acre section of the north part of the island. Please check the Refuge map for approximate boundaries. Access to Wallace and Crims Islands is by boat only.

WASHINGTON STATE HUNTING DATES (Hunting & Price Islands)

WATERFOWL/COOT HUNTING DATES

SEPT 20 - 21 (YOUTH HUNTING ONLY)

OCT 11 - 15 & OCT 18 - JAN 25, CLOSED OCT 16 - 17

GOOSE HUNTING DATES (Zone 2A)

EARLY SEASON: SEPT 10-15

REGULAR SEASON: NOV 8 - 30 & DEC 10 - JAN 25

CLOSED DEC 1 - DEC 9

Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday Only

SNIPES HUNTING DATES

OCT 11 - 15 & OCT 18 - JAN 25, CLOSED OCT 16 - 17

OREGON STATE HUNTING DATES (Crims & Wallace Islands)

WATERFOWL/COOT HUNTING DATES

SEPT 27 - 28 (YOUTH HUNTING ONLY)

OCT 11 - 26 & OCT 29 - JAN 25, Closed OCT 27 - 28

GOOSE HUNTING DATES (NW Goose Permit Zone)

EARLY SEASON: SEPT 6-14

REGULAR SEASON: OCT 18 - 26, NOV 15 - JAN 10,
& FEB 7 - MAR 10

Saturday - Wednesday Only

SNIPES HUNTING DATES

NOV 1-FEB 15

ADDITIONAL REFUGE INFORMATION

- **Nontoxic Shot Required:** All hunters are required to use only federally approved nontoxic shot while waterfowl hunting. Use or possession of lead shot is prohibited while hunting waterfowl.
- **Littering** is unlawful. Take your spent shells and litter home.
- **Motorized equipment:** All-terrain vehicles (ATVs), dirt bikes and chain saws are prohibited on Refuge lands.
- **Boating:** Hunting, Price, Wallace and Crims Islands are accessible only by boat. Tidal flows and fluctuations, and strong winds can make boating difficult and sometimes dangerous. In Washington, launch ramps are located at the Cathlamet Marina, at mile marker 30 off of State Highway 4, adjacent to Skamokawa Vista Park and at Willow Grove west of Longview. In Oregon, boat launch sites are located at Aldritch Point near the Brownsmead area and at the John Day boat ramp east of Astoria.
- **Removal of Items Prohibited:** Collecting and removing ANY archeological, historical, or natural material such as plants, mushrooms, berries, or antler sheds is prohibited.
- **Blinds and Personal Property:** Temporary blinds may be constructed, but they must be available to everyone on a first-come, first-served basis. We prohibit permanent blinds. You must remove all personal property, including decoys and boats, one hour after legal sunset.
- **Camping:** Camping, overnight use and fires are prohibited on all Refuge lands.
- **Foot traffic only:** All island units of the Refuge are open to foot traffic only unless otherwise specified.
- **Dogs:** Dogs are prohibited on all Refuge units except certified assistance animals and dogs used for hunting waterfowl. Dogs must remain in the control of their handlers at all times. Dogs should be tagged with owner's name and contact information.
- **Alcohol:** The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.
- **Caution:** Hunters should examine their own abilities and limitations before using the Refuge. Hunters are cautioned to pay close attention to tidal fluctuations when hunting tidal areas.

Goose Hunt Check Station

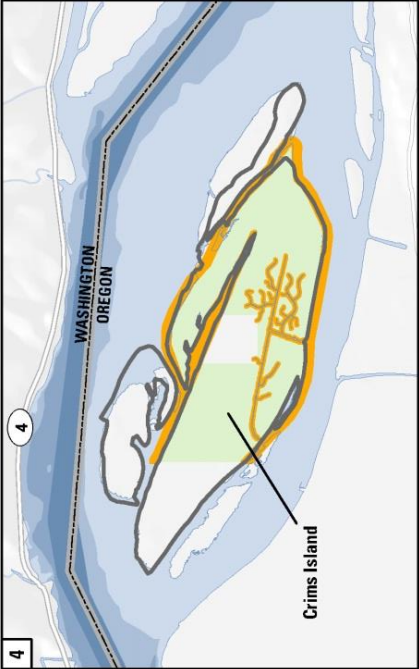
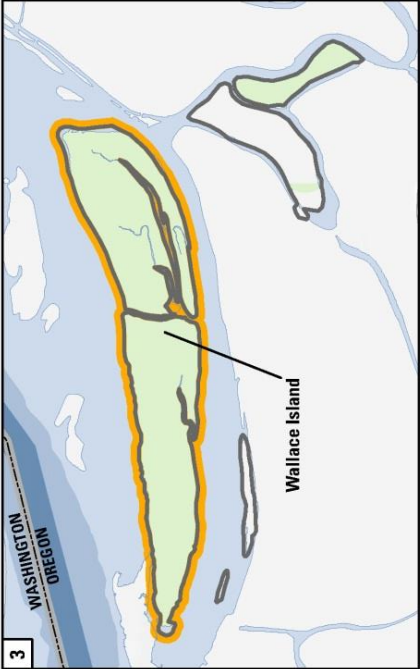
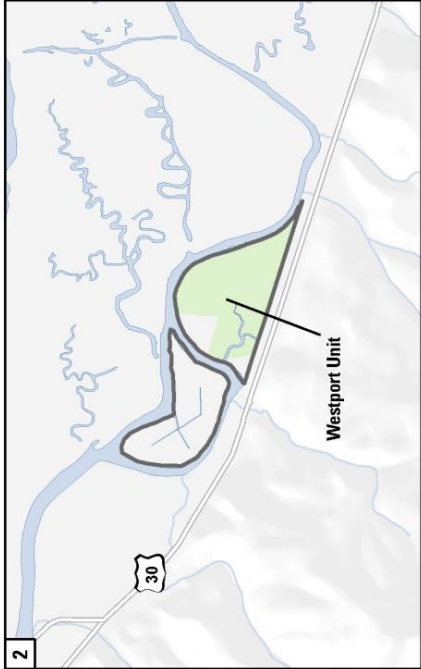
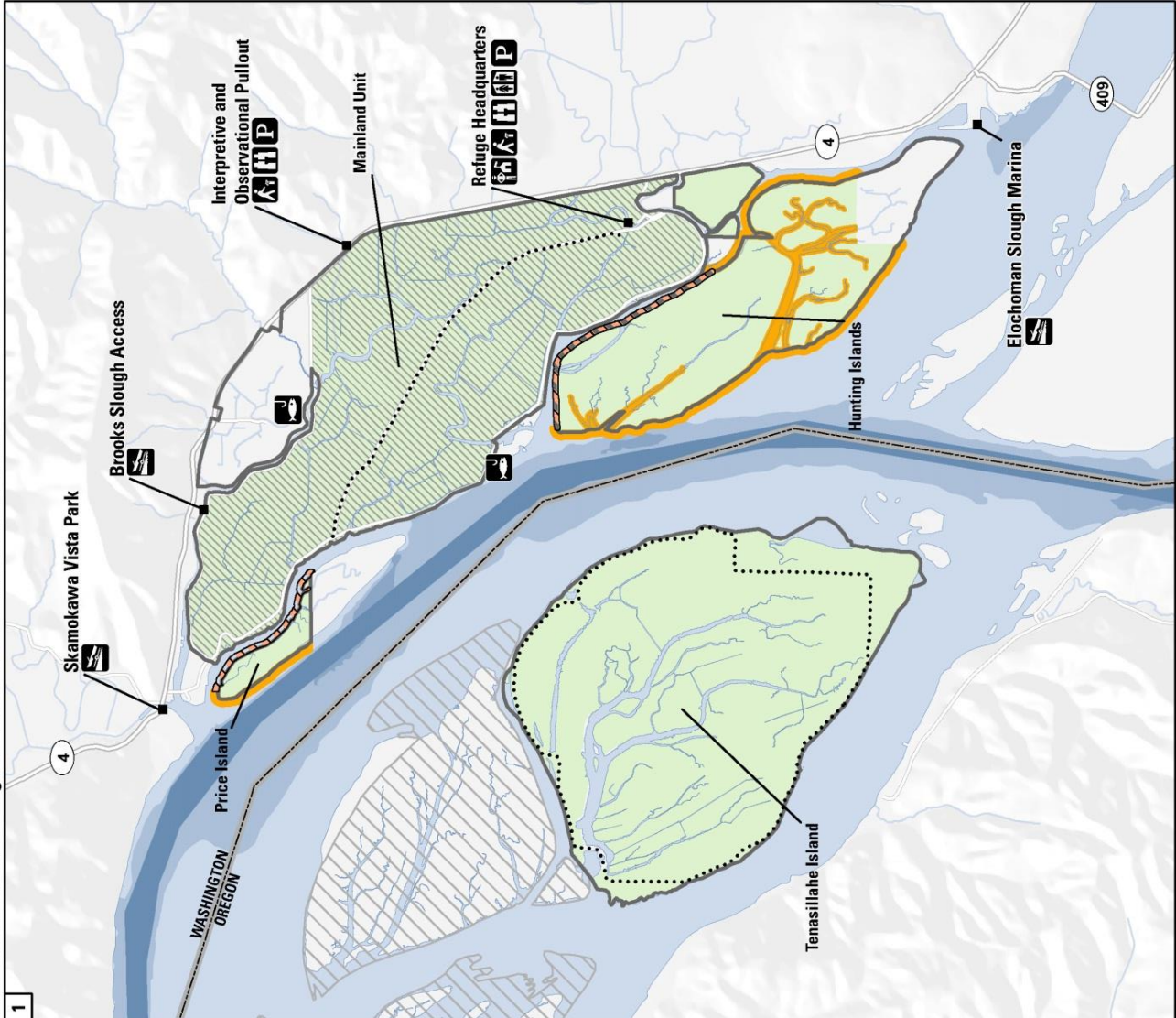
Located at the JBH Refuge Headquarters Open 10am - 6pm

Contact JBH National Wildlife Refuge for more information:

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Julia Butler Hansen Refuge for the Columbian White-tailed Deer - Hunt Plan



Legend

Public Use

- Elk Hunting by Special Permit
- Waterfowl Hunting Along Shoreline and Interior Sloughs
- Shoreline Hunting Closure
- Walking Trail (Seasonally Closed)
- Refuge Headquarters
- Interpretive Kiosk
- Wildlife Viewing Area
- Restroom
- Parking
- Fishing Access
- Boat Launch

Refuge Land Status

- Approved Boundary
- Refuge Managed Lands
- Lewis and Clark National Wildlife Refuge

Waterfowl hunting is permitted on the open shorelines of Hunting, Crims, Wallace and Price Islands, except the exterior shorelines of Price and Hunting Islands where it parallels Steamboat Slough.

Waters around the refuge are open to fishing in accordance with state regulations. Bank fishing is permitted along open shorelines. Interior sloughs in all refuge units are closed to fishing.

